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CHARLESTON, IL--Actor Vincent Price, who has more than 100 motion pictures to his credit, will perform at Eastern Illinois University on Saturday, Feb. 28 at 8 p.m. in the University Union Grand Ballroom.

Price will portray Oscar Wilde in "Diversions and Delights." The one-man show about the famed playwright, wit and conversationalist was written by John Gay, whose television scripts include "The Amazing Howard Hughes" and "Red Badge of Courage."

Price has also appeared in a number of television productions and is the author of several books including "The Treasury of American Art" and "Book of Joe."

He has served as narrator for television performances of "Moses" with the Roger Wagner Chorale and Aaron Copeland's "Abraham Lincoln" with the El Paso Symphony.

Movies include "The House of Seven Gables," "House of Wax," and "Laura." On the stage he has starred in "Charley's Aunt," "Oliver," "Peter Pan," and "Angel Street."

Price has recorded "America the Beautiful" and "Poems of Shelley." His lectures include "The Villain Still Pursues Me--A History of Villainy."

In his appearance at Eastern, Price captures Wilde toward the end of his life giving a lecture in an old concert hall in Paris. According to a review in the Boston Globe, "Diversions and Delights glitters with Wilde's wit and wisdom."

Tickets for the general public are priced at \$4 and may be obtained at the University Union Ticket Office.